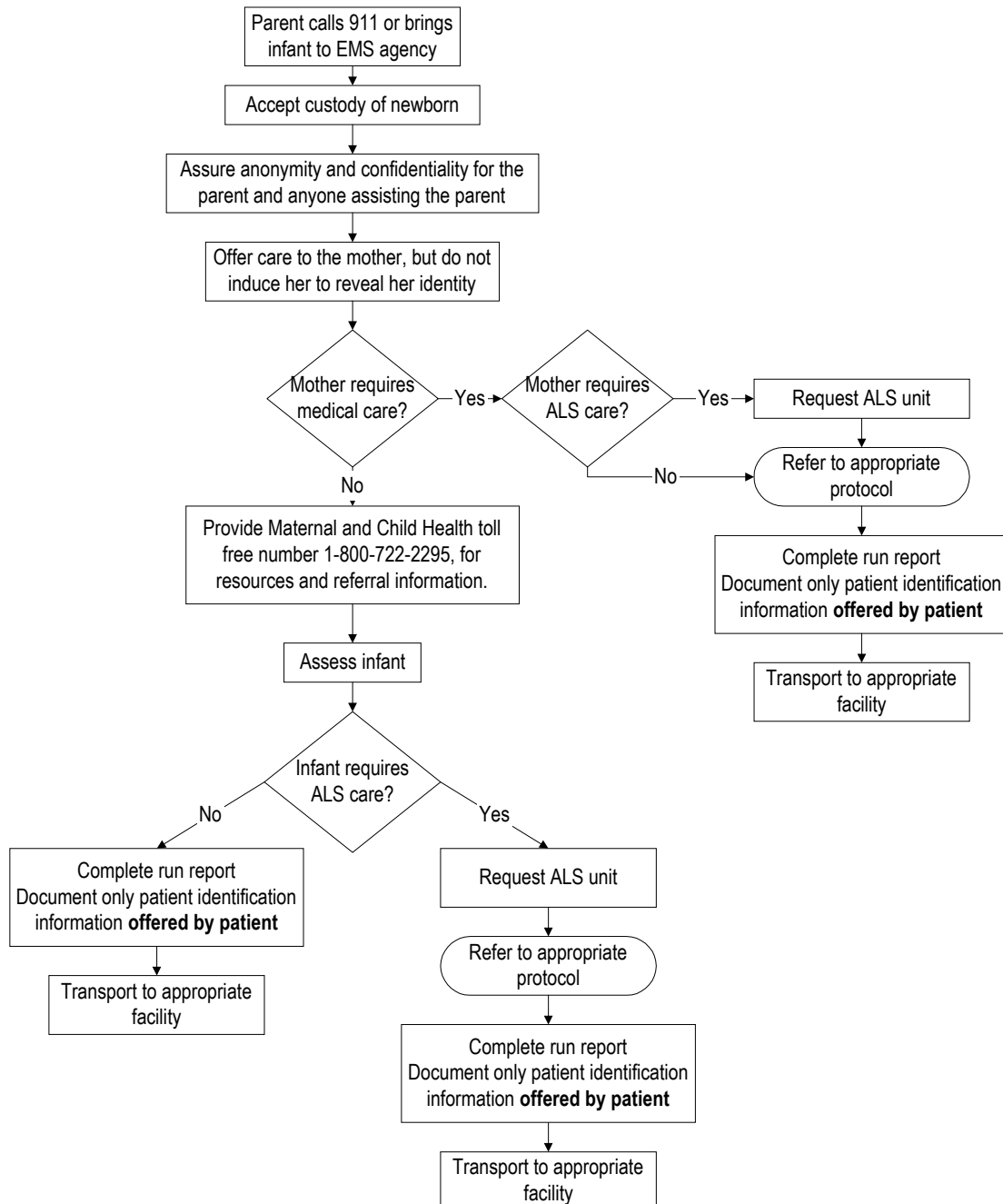


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**MILWAUKEE COUNTY EMS
OPERATIONAL POLICY
SAFE PLACE FOR NEWBORNS**

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POLICY: Milwaukee County EMS providers will accept custody of and provide a safe place for unwanted newborn infants.



Notes:

- Wisconsin 2001 Act 2, Safe Place for Newborns legislation **guarantees** the parent relinquishing custody of the child **the right to remain anonymous**.
- No person may induce or coerce or attempt to induce or coerce a parent or person assisting a parent who wishes to remain anonymous into revealing his or her identity.
- It is **mandatory** for the EMS provider to offer the Maternal and Child Health toll free number (1-800-722-2295), although the parent may refuse the information.